SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 789

By Finney R.

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Joel Chambers, 2008 Valedictorian of Sevier County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Joel Chambers is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Joel has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Chambers has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in a number of extracurricular and community activities, including the Spanish Club, which he has served as Vice President, the Beta Club, the Smoky Mountain Top Guns, Sevierville Teen Board, the Scholar's Bowl, and the Eden United Methodist Church youth group; and

WHEREAS, his astute performance in the classroom has garnered Mr. Chambers several awards, including National Honor Roll, as well as honors in the subject areas of Spanish II, U.S. Government, Economics, and Chemistry; and

WHEREAS, listed in the *Who's Who Among High School Scholars*, Joel Chambers was deservingly chosen as a delegate to the American Legion Boys' State and has participated in TMTA Mathematics competitions in Algebra II and Geometry; and

WHEREAS, Joel's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at Tennessee Tech University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Chambers noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Dennis and Becky Chambers, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Joel Chambers's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Sevier County High School Valedictorian, Joel Chambers, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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